

Concurrent and Collaborative Design Approach in NASDA

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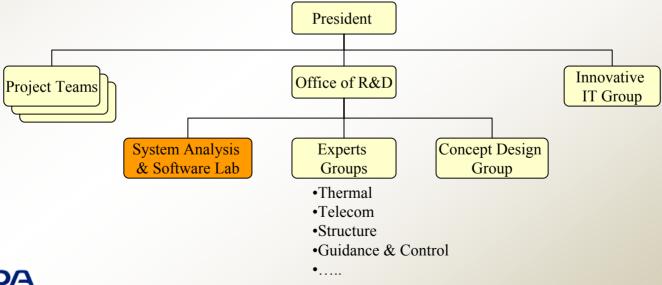
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New Design Paradigm in NASDA

- NASDA has just started to establish the New Design Paradigm with support by Dr. Knut Oxnevad from 2001.
- This activity consists of:
 - Concurrent and Collaborative Design Approach
 - Satellite Simulator (Virtual Satellite)
 - Top Down Design Approach





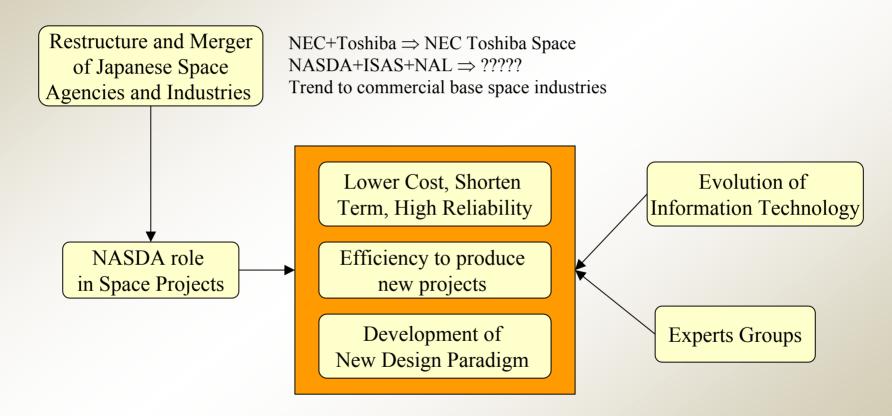


Concurrent and Collaborative Design Approach





Background







Focus points

- R&D office focuses on the mission analysis and concept design process of new type of missions/projects more rapidly with precision (as aspect of cost and schedule). Successful session implementation is most important task.
- Innovative IT group focuses on *all lifecycle* process starting from concept design, especially for the development of *series' satellites* which means same bus system and same type of missions. Propagating the design process using IT into Japanese Space development companies is also one of high priority tasks.
- In near future, both approaches will be integrated into the unified process and design paradigm.

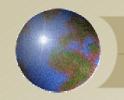




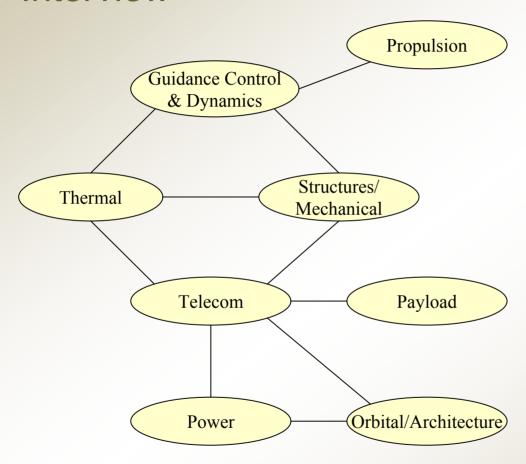
Process Review and Definition

- Process review and definition has been done by last May with Dr. Oxnevad support.
- We interviewed the expert groups on their contributions in traditional design process, especially for mission definition and concept design.
- The interview has not only clearly defined their traditional process, but also given us an opportunity to think about inefficiency of those processes and direction to new process using high-end tools and data.





Interview



Interview items:

- Current processes
- Analyses to be done
- Necessary data and source
- Current tools
- Skill and depth of work

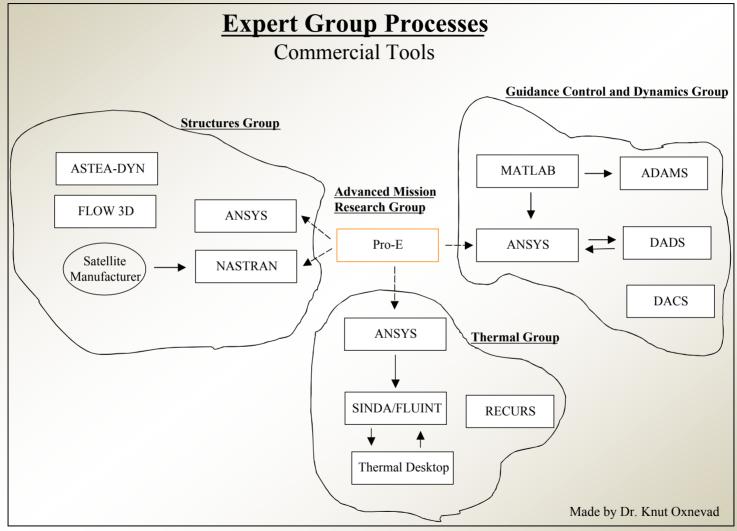
Outputs:

- Process chart
- Analyses & tools chart
- Group motivation

Interviewed Expert Groups and possible links











Comparison from Traditional Approach

Traditional Approach

- All processes in concept design were done separately in each expert groups and combined into one document (paper).
- NASDA basically asks several contractors to submit the proposal of the concept design according to NASDA requirements.
- NASDA only evaluates or analyzes the design proposed by contractors to support the project team.
- The contractor, in some cases, may redo the concept design at starting preliminary design.

Concurrent Collaborative Design Approach

- NASDA can do mission analysis and concept design by ourselves.
- Real time design session can be performed concurrently with team members from each experts groups, customers, and contractors.
- Design and analysis information can be transferred to the project team and contractors, and can be shared.





Demonstration of Concurrent Design Session





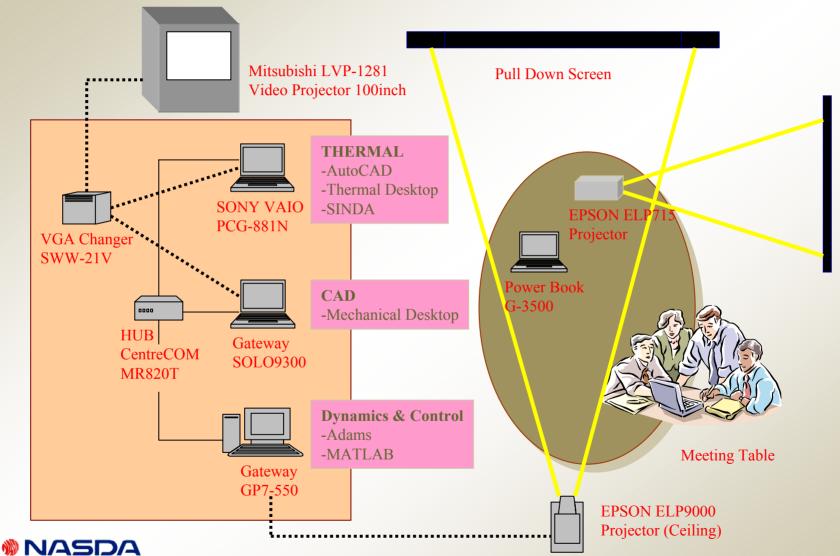
Demonstration of Concurrent Design Session

- Objectives:
 - To test the concurrent design session and environment
 - To understand how to work in concurrent design environment
 - To demonstrate the powerfulness of concurrent design
- In 2002 March
- Coordinated by Dr. Knut Oxnevad



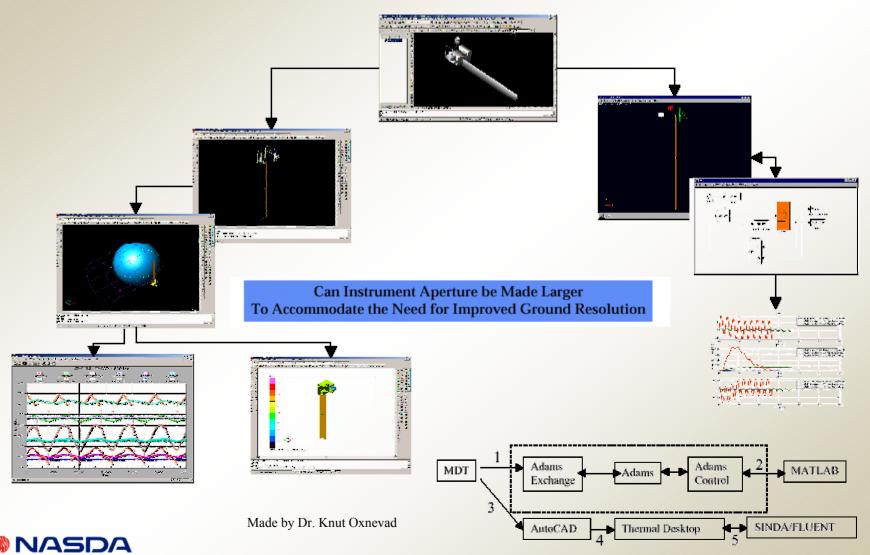


Demonstration of Concurrent Design Session, 2002 March





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Findings

- Many findings through the interview and demonstration:
 - Loose (not rigid) coupling between each tools
 - Deep coupling between each processes
 - For higher fidelity design, the new design paradigm allow experts group to realize the more comprehensive analyses will become possible by using high-end tools and data interfaced between tools,
 - e.g. thermal impact analysis in the Guidance Control and Dynamics Group when thermal data is available with CAD data.
 - High Dependence on personnel skill in
 - Design and Analysis
 - Utilization of high-end tools





Planning

- As Dr. Oxnevad pointed out in his report, there is three key elements to be considered as well as concurrent and real time environment:
 - Personnel
 - Processes
 - Tools
- Definition of inter-group's and their internal processes in mission analysis and concept design, and related organization
- First real project Design Session in 2002,
 - satellite mission analysis and concept design
 - major experts groups
- Experts Training
 - Design Session
 - High-end tools
- Organization Change and Hiring the experts
- Tools and Stations

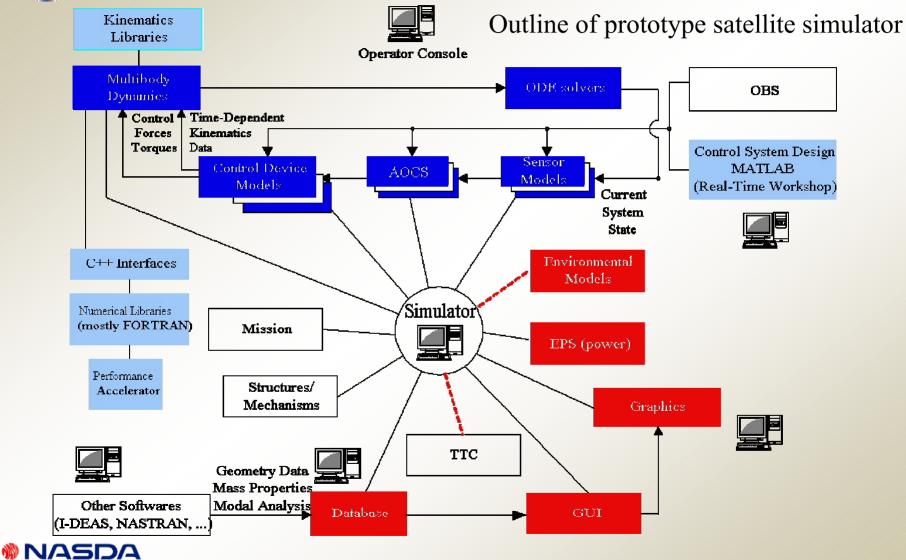




Satellite Simulator (Virtual Satellite)

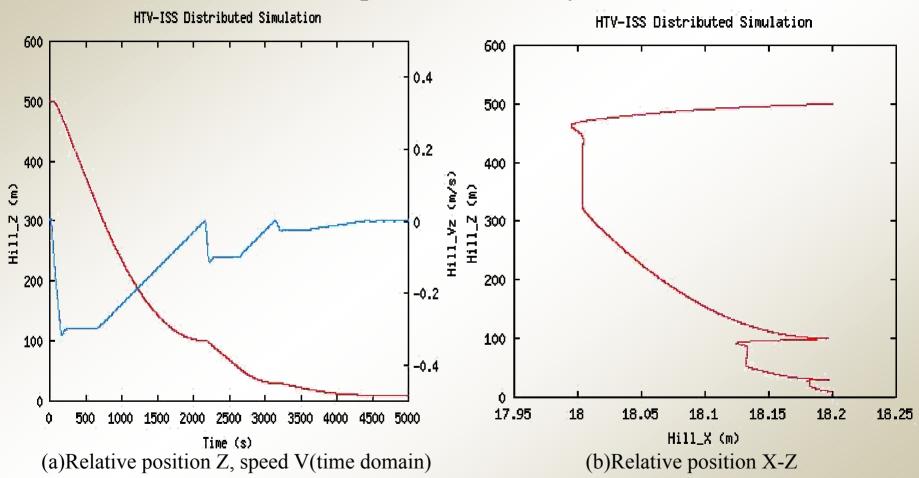








HTV-ISS: sample simulation by HLA simulator







Conclusions and Future Works

- NASDA has decided to apply the concurrent collaborative design approach to mission analysis and concept design for the next satellite.
- Establishment of Concurrent Collaborative Design Approach and Satellite Simulator will continue.
 - Trainings
 - Refinement of processes
 - Session Environment including high-end tools
- NASDA also will start studying the system engineering approaches such as the cost effectiveness in concurrent design session.
- Last, NASDA would especially like to thank Dr. Oxnevad for all his support to form NASDA's new design paradigm.

